UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA Newport News Division

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v. 4:05CR9

JESUS CEBALLOS

Defendant.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION CONCERNING GUILTY PLEA

Defendant, by consent, has appeared before the undersigned pursuant to Rule 11, Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, and referral from a United States District Judge and has entered a guilty plea to one count of conspiracy to distribute and possess with intent to distribute marijuana, cocaine, and cocaine base and one count of conspiracy to import marijuana and cocaine, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1) and (b); 846; 21 U.S.C. 952, 960, and 963.

Defendant was represented by appointed counsel, Nathaniel Webb, Esquire. On December 20, 2005, defendant appeared before the Court for the purpose of entering his guilty pleas. He was appropriate in appearance, responsive, and competently prepared for the hearing.

Defendant answered all questions put to him in clear and concise language. On those occasions when he had a question, defendant consulted with counsel and then promptly answered. Defendant was courteous and appropriate in his behavior at all times and clearly understood the seriousness of his position. At the close of the proceeding, defendant was remanded to custody to await sentencing.

Defendant is fifty-nine years of age, attended school through

the eighth grade, and speaks English as his native language. There was

no evidence that defendant was on drugs, alcohol, or medication which

might impair his judgment. He was cooperative throughout the proceeding.

Defendant entered the guilty pleas pursuant to a plea

agreement. The Court is completely satisfied, based upon defendant's

responses, that he fully appreciates his position. Furthermore, he

acknowledged that the statement of facts prepared in anticipation of his

pleas accurately reflects the government's evidence, in the event of

trial.

After cautioning and examining defendant under oath concerning

each of the subjects mentioned in Rule 11, the Court determined that the

offenses charged are supported by independent facts, establishing all of

the essential elements of each offense. Therefore, the Court recommends

that the guilty pleas be accepted and that defendant be adjudged guilty

and have sentence imposed accordingly.

Failure to file written objections to this report and

recommendation within ten days from the date of its service shall bar an

aggrieved party from attacking such report and recommendation before the

assigned United States District Judge. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(B).

/s/

James E. Bradberry

United States Magistrate Judge

Norfolk, Virginia

<u>December 23</u>, 2005

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A copy of the foregoing Report was mailed this date to each of the following:

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